

SAMUELS CASE IS A PUZZLING ONE

Under Bond in Federal Court When He Killed Man.

BOND DECLARED FORFEITED

He Was in Jail and Could Not Come—Point at Law.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] DANVILLE, VA., November 29.—While his attorneys have refused to make any statement of what defense they will put up for W. Bolt Samuels, a former Danville saloonkeeper, who will be placed on trial here, December 7, for the murder of Sheriff William V. Flannagan, of Spray, N. C., indications are that a plea of justification will be made. Sheriff Flannagan was shot and killed by Samuels on the afternoon of October 24th in front of the house of Eva Boyd, a white woman of questionable character.

Flannagan had just left the house, when he was fired upon at the gate by Samuels. The two men a few minutes prior to the tragedy had been visitors in the house, where the trouble first originated and where, from the evidence, it seems that the Danville man had objected to the visit of the officer.

The evidence as gathered by the police and the coroner at the time of the tragedy was that Samuels had pursued Flannagan out of the house and shot him down in the back without justification.

So far no theory other than jealousy over the Boyd woman has been advanced for the killing. Relatives of the dead man, however, recently issued a statement that he had official business at the house and was not an ordinary caller.

A Checkered Career. Immediately after the killing Samuels was taken to the county jail at Chatham, owing to the inadequate prison facilities here, as a new jail is under construction. The slayer of the Draper officer has borne a rather checkered career.

At the United States court here last fall he was convicted of perjury in connection with the revenue fraud trials, and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. He appealed the case to the United States Court of Appeals of Virginia, and was released on \$1,000 bond, which he was under at the time of the tragedy. Recently the Court of Appeals has affirmed the decision of the lower court.

Bond is Forfeited. At the session of the United States court held here early in November Samuels, being in the Chatham jail, was unable to appear, and the bond was technically declared forfeited, and will be argued later.

District Attorney Thomas Lee Moore has stated that the government will not interfere with the prosecution of Samuels on the murder charge, but will contend for a forfeiture of the bond on the grounds that his failure to appear before court was due to his own criminal act.

Unique Point in Law. In this connection a unique point in law will arise, the bondsmen for Samuels contending that his failure to appear was not due to any unwillingness on the part of Samuels, but as a result of force.

Both cases, the trial for murder and the fight for the forfeiture of the bond in the Federal court, will be watched with much interest, not only here, but throughout the State.

Chase City Notes. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] CHASE CITY, VA., November 29.—"Blind tigers," although an intolerable nuisance, will flourish where the most drastic penalties are imposed to suppress them. Several have been fined \$150 and jail penalties and bond for good behavior imposed, but where one is exterminated another springs up. There must be patience and profits in the illicit traffic, otherwise, so many would not take the risks. Evidently prohibition and no license do not prohibit.

The first announcement for the position of County Superintendent of Public Schools is that of Professor Holmes C. Harrison, of this city, for the office now held by Mr. Samuel L. Graham.

The Baptist Church has added two large additions to its building in order to accommodate its large attendance at Sunday-school. Over 200 can now have sufficient accommodations.

C. T. Baskerville, Commonwealth's Attorney for Mecklenburg, was here Friday, and will be in the city for a week, shaking hands with from town and country by name.

Misses Mary D. Burwell, Irma F. Jeffers, Isabel Norvell and Mrs. Alice J. Boswell, all prominent society ladies of this place, are in Richmond visiting friends and relatives.



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The ingredients are used for various prescriptions.

MAKING RAIDS UNDER BYRD LAW

Anti-Saloon League Captures Two People With Over Two Gallons.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WINCHESTER, VA., November 29.—At the instance of the Anti-Saloon League of Winchester, raids were made last night on several places in this city, and the police succeeded in securing evidence which, it is claimed, will convict under the Byrd law. Liquor in two-gallon quantities is said to have been found on the premises of Joseph Patterson and a certain Mrs. Lewis.

It is understood that the Anti-Saloon League will make a determined effort to break up several speakeasies which are believed to be in operation in Winchester, having sprung up since local option went into effect.

GOVERNOR TO SPEAK

Will Address Business Men at Danville.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] DANVILLE, VA., November 29.—Governor Claude A. Swanson and Mr. V. Richards, industrial agent for the Southern Railway, are scheduled to deliver addresses in this city on the night of December 21st, the occasion being the annual banquet of the Commercial Association, the representative business body of Danville, to be held at the Burton Hotel. The banquet will be presided over by Colonel A. B. Richards, president of the association, and the addresses of the two distinguished guests will be supplemented by a series of brief addresses by local men.

The address of the Governor, who is a native and still a resident of this county, will be in his position with the Southern Railway has taken a conspicuous and influential part in the rebuilding of the city and the rebuilding of the city with special reference to this vicinity. The keynote of the banquet will be the advancement of young men.

FIRST SERVICES

Dr. Laird Preached in Danville's New Y. M. C. A. Yesterday Afternoon.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] DANVILLE, VA., November 29.—The first religious services in Danville's new Young Men's Christian Association building, which was the occasion of a public service, were held this afternoon, when Dr. W. R. Laird, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, delivered an address to a large gathering of young men.

FAMILY ATTACKED

Severe Fever Condition Exists in the Home of Half-Breed Indian.

LYNCHBURG, VA., November 29.—Three children of Peter Bass, the half-breed Indian who lives seven miles below the city, are ill of typhoid fever, and five other children and the father are living with them in a house of two rooms. The man's wife and two children died of the same disease, the wife dying in August and two children since November 1st. His condition became public through the local newspapers, and the Salvation Army now has the family under its care. Bass is a native of Minnesota, and is being made to bring the family nearer the city, where the children can have closer attention.

LATE DEAN OF SEWANE



JOHN BELL HENNEMAN, M. A., PH. D., Who died in this city last week.

NEW COAL ROAD IS NEARLY FINISHED

Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio Started Yesterday With Sermons in All the Churches of Lynchburg.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] BRISTOL, VA., November 29.—The Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway, constructed by George L. Carter and New York associates at a cost of \$50,000,000, is now nearing completion between the Clinchfield coal properties in Southwest Virginia and the Carolina. This road extends from Southwest Virginia, across East Tennessee into North Carolina, and is being extended thence to Spidersburg, S. C. It will be completed as far as Charlotte, N. C. within the next four weeks, and the first coal shipment into Charlotte over the new road is under contract to be delivered there on January 1, 1909.

This new coal-carrying road is the first high-grade, modern road ever constructed in the South. In many places it takes its course along the tops of mountains rather than to wind through the valley courses. As a means of getting the lowest possible percentage in grade, it goes straight through mountains of stone rather than find a course around.

No trestle work has been constructed. Ravines to a depth of two and three hundred feet have been filled in with dirt and stone, while steel bridges span the streams and concrete arches the small branches.

A significant feature of this road, as recently announced by Mr. Carter's president, is that it is in the near future to have a Northern connection, making it a direct through line to the lake region, including Chicago and Cincinnati on the west and Cleveland and Buffalo on the north.

The determination of the government to construct the Isthmian Canal had much to do with influencing the Eastern railroads to connect the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio Railway.

The new road will be equipped with modern rolling stock at the very outset. Orders have already been placed for steel cars and powerful locomotives.

Pocahontas Notes

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] POCAHONTAS, VA., November 29.—The telephone exchange has been moved from the Zimmerman building to the general office of the Pocahontas Consolidated Collieries Company.

Dr. T. B. Henderson, of Ferrum, Va., is in the city doing relief work during the absence of Dr. P. D. Johnston, who is in Richmond, Va., spending his vacation.

Mr. Charles R. Karr, who was assistant buyer for the Pocahontas Collieries Company for a number of years and for several months past connected with Mr. J. L. Baber's store, left Friday for Roanoke, Va., where he has bought a grocery business.

Rev. W. R. Rickman, of Covington, Va., who accepted the call to the Baptist Church here, arrived Wednesday with his wife and two children. They are staying at the Inn.

Mrs. Langhorne D. Lewis entertained Wednesday afternoon at bridge at her home, "The Oaks," in honor of her mother, Mrs. John Lewis, of Lynchburg. Four tables were required to accommodate those present.

Mr. C. F. Blount was in the city Sunday. Mr. Blount is an old resident of this place, having at one time been manager of the Pocahontas Wholesale Grocery Company. He is now a representative of the Schuykill Mills Company, of Philadelphia, Pa., and expects to locate in Bluefield, W. Va.

Mr. H. E. Erb, of Roanoke, Va., is in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. William Walters have for their guest, Miss Preston, of Salem, Va.

J. Walton Thomas, Mayor of Godfrey, W. Va., was in the city Friday.

Mr. George G. Junkin, of Kyle, W. Va., was in the city Friday.

Mr. Lonie Duster, of Nashville, Tenn., a Long Pole Lumber Company director, was here this week attending a meeting of the company.

R. E. Elisinger, of Cincinnati, O., is in the city.

Mrs. Umberger, of Wytheville, Va., is the guest of her brother, H. M. Umberger, this week.

Colonel W. F. Kirby, of Pageton, W. Va., was here Saturday.

R. L. Bailey, of Keystone, W. Va., was a business visitor here Saturday.

T. H. Wickham, of Raleigh, W. Va., president of the Long Pole Lumber Company, was here this week.

Mrs. James O'Connor, of Bramwell, W. Va., was here this week shopping.

Tramps Fired Here.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] SALISBURY, N. C., November 29.—At Landis, Rowan county, early yesterday morning, a barn of Mr. C. J. Don was burned, together with two cows and a large supply of feed. It is believed that two tramps were leaving the place fired the building while smoking.

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Send in Your Definition Now!

This contest is inaugurated for no other purpose than to get our name before the people of Virginia. Remember, it costs you nothing to join this contest and try for one of the valuable prizes. There are no restrictions that you cannot comply with, which are: No answer over thirty words will be considered; no one in the piano business can be a contestant, and you must send your definition in by November 30, 1908, 6 P. M. Write name and address on separate paper, so that the judges will have no knowledge of the sender. As soon as received your letter and definition will be given a number, so there will be no mistake made.

A committee of five disinterested persons will examine definitions and render decisions. All definitions must be original.

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THE YOUNGEST JUDGE



Twenty-five years old, elected November 3d judge of the Court of Common Pleas in Wyandotte county, Kansas. He took office Monday, November 9th, to fill the unexpired term of Judge William G. Holt, who resigned. Mr. Higgins is something of a fighter. He is a Democrat. Mr. Higgins was born May 14, 1883, in Kansas City, Kan., the city in which he is now living.

News of Petersburg

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] PETERSBURG, VA., November 29.—Paul C. Petzold, a citizen of Petersburg, last night purchased a ticket to Disputanta, and left here on the east-bound Norfolk and Western passenger train. Information received, states that he did not stop at Disputanta, but went on to Waverly, where he fell from the train upon the track and was instantly killed. His head and legs were practically severed from the body by the wheels. The body was brought to the undertaking rooms of J. T. Morriss & Co. in this city, this morning, to be prepared for burial. Mr. Petzold was a well known young man, probably between thirty and thirty-five years of age, and leaves a widow and one son.

Fire in Prince George. The kitchen and barn on the Crater farm, and near the Crater itself, owned by Mrs. T. C. Griffith, were destroyed by fire at a late hour last night. The dwelling house escaped damage, being separated and apart from the kitchen and barn. It is not known how the fire originated, or whether the property was insured. With the barn were destroyed a number of farming implements, and a quantity of provender and other property. The Crater Museum is some distance away from the residence, and was not in danger from the fire. It contains many interesting relics of the Crater, battlefield.

New Church Occupied. The new St. Stephens (colored) Episcopal Church on Perry Street was today opened for the first time for worship, and a very large congregation, including a number of whites and colored, were present. The services were of interesting character. Rev. Giles B. Cooke, a former rector of the church, and during the war a member of General Lee's staff, preached the sermon. He gave a very interesting historical sketch of the founding of the church, and paid tribute to those who were actively engaged in the work. Among those he mentioned were many prominent ministers and laymen of the white churches of the city. The new church is a handsome brick structure with tower, is nicely furnished and gives a suitable accommodations for the growing congregation. Archdeacon Russell, colored, of the Southern Diocese, in charge of the work among the colored people, preached this afternoon. Bishop Randolph was expected to preach and administer con-

firmation to-night, but he sent word that he would not be able to come.

Hospital Benefit.

The managers of the Cockade and Virginia Theatres have tendered the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Petersburg Hospital the entire proceeds of the matinees at these theatres on Tuesday, December 1st, from 2:30 to 6 P. M. Programs of merit have been arranged.

LANCASTER COURT

Grand Jury Adjourns After Making Some Very Important Recommendations.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] LANCASTER, VA., November 29.—The November term of Lancaster Circuit Court, which began nearly two weeks ago, is ended, and Judge Wright has gone to his home in Tappahannock. Before adjournment the grand jury made an important report to the court, in which the following recommendations are made:

(1) That both officials and private

citizens exercise more vigilance in regard to the making out and examining the lists of those who pay their capitation taxes in time to vote at succeeding elections, and that applications be made promptly to the circuit judge to have all omissions or errors corrected.

(2) That the itemized annual statement of all funds received and disbursed in each school district, with balance on hand for each year, be published in one of the local papers, as well as posted on the courthouse door, as required by law; and that the schools be kept open as long as the funds will allow.

(3) That all official statements made by county and district officers of expenditures be carefully itemized, and that oyster inspectors be required to keep official books, in addition to monthly reports, which shall be open to inspection by the public, and that fines imposed, and whether said fines have been collected or not.

(4) That the judge of the Circuit Court cause to be published in one of the local papers the statute forbidding the sale of cigarettes or any form of tobacco to minors under sixteen years old, and fixing the penalty therefor.

(5) That the supervisors take steps to prevent persons from encroaching on the public highways by turnrows, moving fences, or otherwise.

Burial of Mrs. Beatley.

The remains of Mrs. Martha Ann Beatley, who died recently at the home of her son, R. C. Edwards, in Baltimore, were brought to Lancaster on the Weems Line steamer and interred in the cemetery at Kilmarnock Baptist Church, near home, home, Rev. Porter Hardy conducting the burial service. Mrs. Beatley was seventy-six years old, was twice married, and is survived by her second husband, one son and nine grandchildren.

Farm Sold.

Dr. W. J. Newbill has sold his farm near Irvington to Mr. J. R. Southworth, of Essex, for \$4,000.

Contract for Steamer.

The Hinton-Toulson Guano Company, of Reedville, Northumberland county, has contracted with Mitchell, Davis & Son, of Solomon's Island, Md., for the building of a fishing steamer, the hull of which is to be 135 feet long, 22 feet beam, and 11 feet deep. The steamer is to be ready early next spring, and is to be used in fishing for menhaden.

To Undergo Operation.

The Rev. Dr. Wayland F. Dunaway, a native and resident of this county, and one of the best known Baptist ministers in Virginia, expects to leave in a few days for Richmond, where he will undergo a surgical operation at the Memorial Hospital. Dr. Dunaway was a prominent member of the last State Constitutional Convention, and is one of the most prominent and highly esteemed citizens of the Northern Neck of Virginia.

To Wed on Tuesday.

Mr. J. Stanley McManis, a prominent business man of Whiteside, in the lower part of Lancaster, will on next Tuesday, marry Miss Nellie Mae Burgoe, of Washington, D. C.

Excellent Fishing.

During the past week of warm weather fishing in the mill ponds in this region has been fine sport, the mill pond black bass being the kind mostly caught.

Secured Pastor.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] SPENCER, N. C., November 29.—Rev. C. T. Morgan, of Rowan county, has been secured as supply pastor of Christ Lutheran Church in East Spencer, and entered upon his duties yesterday. The church has been without a pastor for several months, but it is expected that a regular pastor will be called at no distant date.

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